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SUBJECT: POST ENDORSES SECTION 1206 PROPOSAL, WITH

EXCEPTIONS

Classified By: CDA Karen L. Williams, for reasons 1.4 (a) and (d)

- 11. (S) Post endorses the FY2008 proposal for Section 1206 funding for Guyana that was submitted by SOUTHCOM, with the following caveats: Post endorses the provision of all non-lethal assistance, i.e., all items identified under the categories COMMUNICATIONS, NIGHT VISION, MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, AND CLOTHING/PERSONAL EQUIPMENT, as well as the following non-lethal items listed under the category WEAPONS: M24 Binoculars, Oakley Ballistic Shooting Glasses Array, and Aviator Nomex Gloves.
- $\P 2$. (S) Post does not/not endorse the provision of any of the other items listed under the category WEAPONS.
- 13. (S) Post is confident that the provision of this Section 1206 non-lethal assistance addresses priority needs of the Guyana Defense Force (GDF), and enhances its capability to conduct counterterrorism operations. This assistance also reinforces other ongoing security collaboration efforts. Williams